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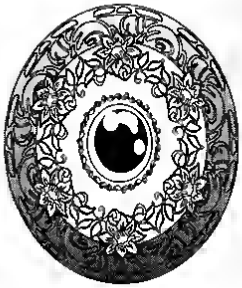
I have something



that I think must have Japanese nationality.

## Daisho year 83 The house of Duke Ranswell

YES!
I CAME TO SEE THE DUKE!
THEY WON'T ALLOW ME IN THROUGH THE GATE
SO
KYAAAA
RUSTLE
SLIP
Ah!

YOU ARE TRESPASSING ONTO A DUKE'S LAND. YOU ARE BOLD.
Blonde hair and blue eyes...?
WHAT KIND OF BUSINESS DO YOU HAVE WITH ME, LADY?

ANTIQUE I

...I SEE
YOU ARE THAT DAUGHTER OF REN TAKIGAWA
YOU CAME HERE TO GET HIS ARTWORK BACK?
YES! I AM CALLED MAY!
BUT I QUITE LIKE IT
THAT BROOCH IS AN IMPORTANT KEEPSAKE OF MY FATHER...
IF YOU GIVE IT BACK TO ME, I WILL DO ANYTHING!
ANYTHING? THEN...

PLEASE BE MY PARTNER.
..Huh?
I WAS LOOKING FOR A PERSON TO GO TO A BANQUET WITH
I GO AROUND THE WORLD TRYING TO FIND ANTIQUE AND TRADE FOR IT
Ah, I say that it's work, but it's actually my hobby
FOR EVERY-THING TO FLOW SMOOTHLY WHEN I AM HERE
I HAVE TO SHOW MY FACE ON BANQUETS
AH, THEN, YOU COULD ASK THOSE WOMEN BEFORE...
THAT IS, I AM QUITE POPULAR. IF I PICK ONE, THEY COULD FIGHT
AND IF I CHANGE THE PARTNER EVERYTIME, I LOOK UNTRUST-WORTHY BY THE SOCIETY.
I WANT A PARTNER WHO I COULD STAY WITH SIMPLY...
IF IT'S YOU, THEN I KNOW WHAT YOU WANT SO I CAN RELAX
LOOK
WHAT IS A PARTNER?
I can't under-stand it well
it's me!
it's me!
OF COURSE, I am the PARTNER

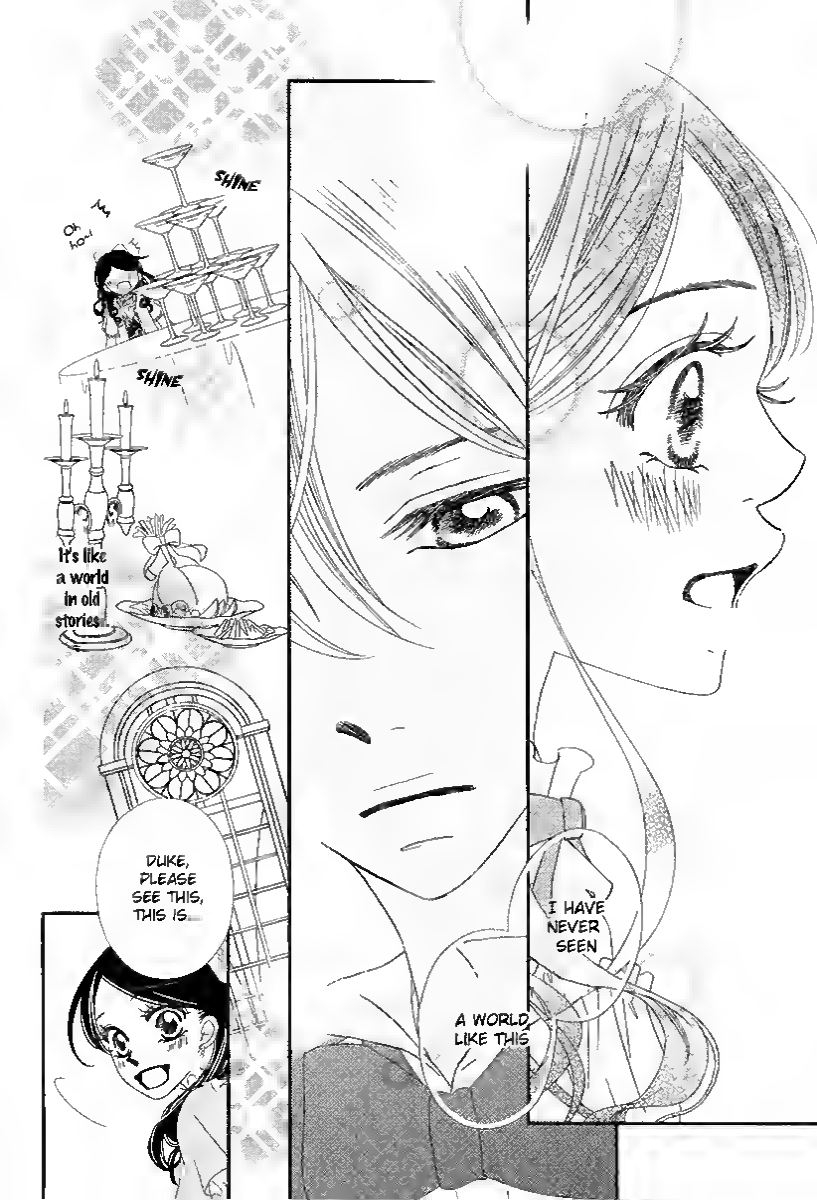
THE MEANING? RIGHT THEN...
WHOOSH
SHALL I TEACH YOU WHAT IT IS TONIGHT BESIDE YOU?
Going together to a sanctuary? Partners? Being trustworthy to society?
MEANING?
AH
Dm?
OKAY! IF I COULD TAKE BACK FATHER'S KEEPSAKE!
THE TALK IS PROGRESSING NICELY
YES!!
Leave it to me!

BEING A BRIDE?
PARTNER IS LIKE
...WHAT?
No, it's not like that...
IN SHORT!
IF I ACT LIKE A BRIDE WHILE YOU, DUKE IS IN THIS COUNTRY, I CAN GET THAT BROOCH BACK
THEN I, MAY TAKIGAWA
GRIP
I WILL ACT LIKE BRIDE FANTASTICALLY!
000

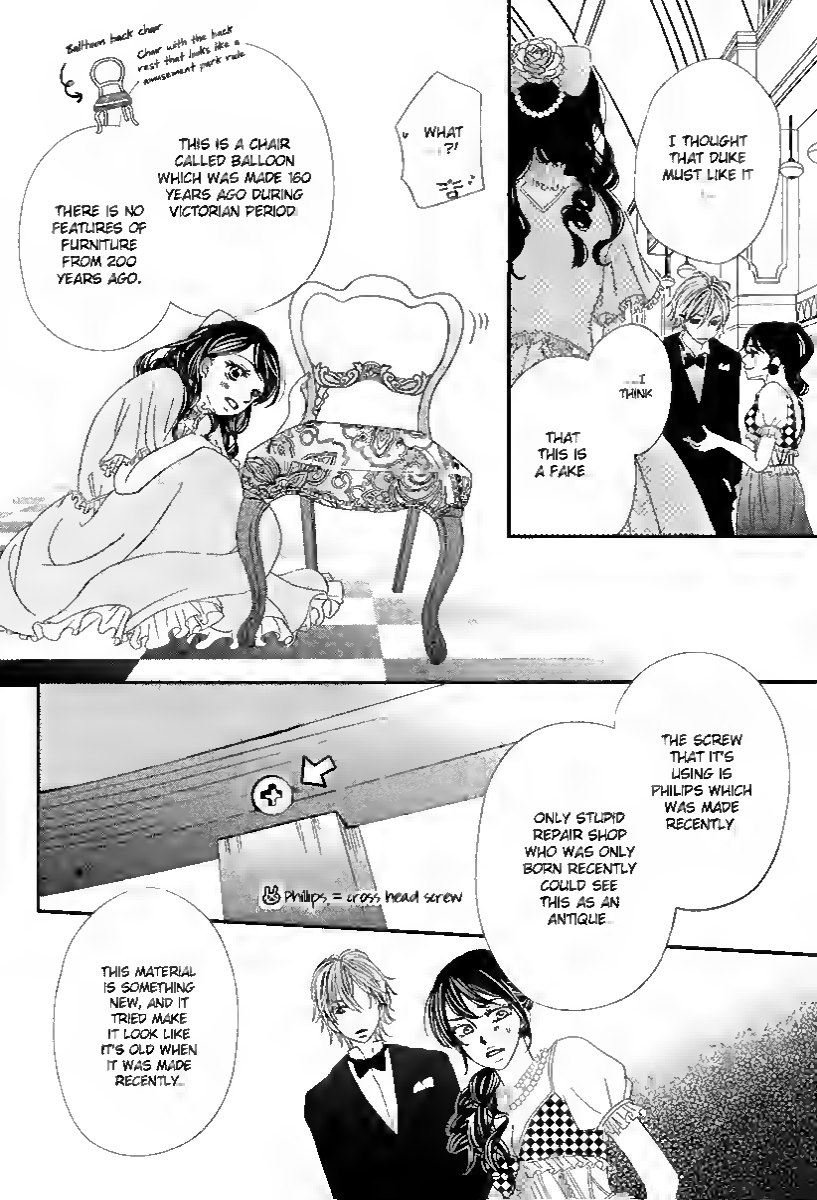
UWA!
IT IS HARD BEING A BRIDE...
WHAT THE MAID MADE IS MORE DELICIOUS.
DUKE!
SHE COOKED SOMETHING
YOU SHOULD SHOW MORE SKIN.
DUKE ...!
SHE TRIED TO BE SEXY
I AM BUSY
DUKE! LET'S HAVE A DATE!
SHE ASKED HIM FOR A DATE

I want to have it no matter what..
The keepsake of the person who was most precious to me in the world
BUT I SHOULD TRY HARDER
...ARE YOU STUDYING TO BE A BRIDE AGAIN?
NOW, WHAT KIND OF BRIDE WILL YOU BE
YOUR INTERPRETATION OF PARTNER IS DIFFERENT THAN MINE
TURN
...I AM GOING TO BE A WONDERFUL BRIDE NO MATTER WHAT
YES, YES.
THEN SHOULD WE MAKE SURE THAT YOU CAN SHOW ALL YOUR SKILLS AS A WONDERFUL BRIDE?
Relaxed response

IT'S FANTASTIC.
WELL YOU SHOULD ACT LIKE A PARTNER AND STAY BESIDE ME
IT'S JUST A BANQUET
JUST ?
AH LOOK, THIS IS— It's another world
I REALLY NEED YOU TONIGHT.
Huh?


SHINE
SHINE
It's like a world in old stories...
I HAVE NEVER SEEN
A WORLD LIKE THIS
DUKE, PLEASE SEE THIS, THIS IS...

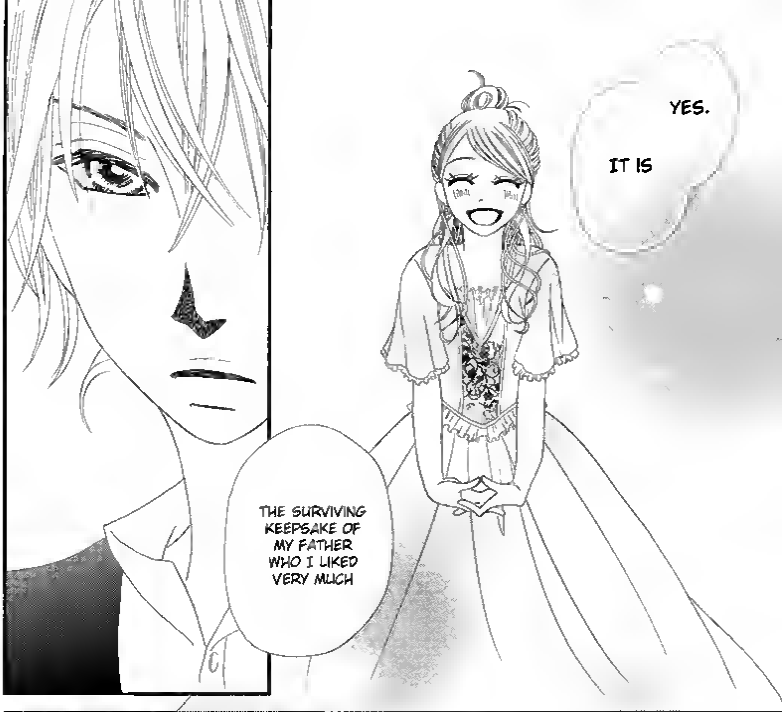
Kyo
Kyo
Ah
...LOOK, DUKE, I BROUGHT A NICE ANTIQUE.
I WANT YOU TO BE HAPPY.
THAT MAKES ME VERY HAPPY.
Snap
Click
HE IS REALLY POPULAR
Uwah
THEY SAY THAT IT IS FROM 200 YEARS AGO...
IT'S BEATIFUL .. IT IS REALLY RARE?


Balloon back chair
Chair with the back rest that looks like a amusement park ride
THIS IS A CHAIR CALLED BALLOON WHICH WAS MADE 160 YEARS AGO DURING VICTORIAN PERIOD.
THERE IS NO FEATURES OF FURNITURE FROM 200 YEARS AGO.
WHAT ?!
I THOUGHT THAT DUKE MUST LIKE IT
I THINK THAT THIS IS A FAKE
Philips, = cross head screw
THE SCREW THAT IT'S USING IS PHILIPS WHICH WAS MADE RECENTLY
ONLY STUPID REPAIR SHOP WHO WAS ONLY BORN RECENTLY COULD SEE THIS AS AN ANTIQUE
THIS MATERIAL IS SOMETHING NEW, AND IT TRIED MAKE IT LOOK LIKE IT'S OLD WHEN IT WAS MADE RECENTLY.

THIS IS A FORGERY
IT IS A FAKE.
Raise
SLAP
ARE YOU TELLING ME NOW THAT I BROUGHT A FAKE?!
WHAT IS THIS RUDE GIRL?
UGH
ANGRY

Ah....?!
DUKE?!
YOUR ANGRY FACE IS REALLY WONDERFUL.
BUT YOU SHOULDN'T BE VIOLENT, LADY.
Right Right

I...
I AM SORRY, LOOK...!
I COULDN'T DO MY BEST AS A PARTNER...
NO, IT WAS A GOOD APPRAISAL
Oh! Your hairstyle is like a dancer*
RUB RUB
YES AH...
WHERE DID YOU LEARN IT?
*round shaped Chinese Sweet
I know the words about antique even if it's foreign
AH, IT'S ... IT'S FROM MY FATHER
I SEE
YOU MUST HAVE LIKED YOUR FATHER VERY MUCH.
YES
FATHER WAS MY ONLY FAMILY...
WELL, YOU SNEAKED INTO OUR MANSION BECAUSE OF A BROOCH.
You


YES.
IT IS
THE SURVIVING KEEPSAKE OF MY FATHER WHO I LIKED VERY MUCH

...UGH.
I AM SORRY FOR YOUR CHEEK!
shuk
...YOU SHOULDN'T FEEL SORRY.

YOU DIDN'T HAVE ANY PAINFUL MEMORIES AT THE END, SO IT'S OKAY.
Thump
...YOU SHOULD SLEEP NOW FOR TODAY.
GOOD NIGHT
MAY

I WAS SURPRISED
HE GOT CLOSE TO ME QUICKLY
My heart is
shaking.
It is a little awkward to feel the warmth.
BUT
THE HANDS OF THE DUKE WAS WARM

It makes me remember
fear which I wanted to forget.
WAIT...
PLEASE DON'T LEAVE ME BEHIND!
Father...
Chirp chirp
PLEASE DON'T LEAVE ME BEHIND!

Dream...
SOMETHING BAD HAS HAPPEND, DUKE!
FLINCH
AH...?
THE BROOCH IS GONE?
YES... I TRIED TO GO IN TO CLEAN THE PLACE, AND IT COULDN'T BE SEEN...
This is a lie...
Why...
LOOK...
I ACTUALLY SAW IT...

I SAW MAY TAKING THE BROOCH AND LEAVING THE ROOM...
Eh...?!
NO...
I DIDN'T EVEN TOUCH THE BROOCH.
BUT REALLY
YOU MUST HAVE BEEN MISTAKEN!
What...?
Why?
Why is everybody looking at me with cold eyes...
I DIDN'T DO IT!

DUKE ...?!
... OKAY
MAY
IT'S OKAY.
RUN
AH!
(clench
UGH

HE IS TOTALLY SUSPICIOUS OF ME!
WHAT IS THAT! I NEVER DID IT!
THAT DUKE IS AN IDIOT!
Sigh
EVEN THE DUKE DIDN'T BELIEVE ME.
...WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW?
I CAN'T GO BACK TO THE MANSION...
"IT'S OKAY."
Clench
The thing that I found warmth in it
The temperature is disappearing

IT WAS EASIER THAN I THOUGHT, LADY.
WELL DONE.
BUT YOU HAVE DONE WELL. YOU THOUGHT OF SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
YOU MADE THAT WOMAN INTO A THIEF.
EH...? THAT SERVANT...?
I SAW IT. Actually
I am
alone
again.

Ah
SHE'S ...?!
It's that woman from the banquet
I WAS ASHAMED IN THE BANQUET
I FEEL BETTER NOW
HOW MUCH ARE WE GOING TO GET IF WE SELL THIS?
That's...!
BUSY
GIVE IT BACK...
UWA!
GIVE ME THE BROOCH BACK!
WHAT, YOU...!

PUSH AWAY
LET ME GO!
Cling
GIVE IT BACK TO ME!
Push
YOU ARE STUBBORN!
Push
GO AWAY!
Grab
IT'S PRECIOUS TO ME.
Grab
PLEASE!
YOU SHOULD STOP IT!
NO!
Push
STUMBLE

Father!
Father!
WATER FLOW
SPLaSH
HELP ME!
I CAN'T SWIM.
UGH
Drown
It's painful.
The temperature of the water which is dark and cold
is like the world of a loner
I DON'T WANT TO

PLEASE DON'T LEAVE ME BEHIND.
Please
anybody
I...
Anybody
Get me out of here.

DUKE ...!
COUGH COUGH
WET
GLARE
NO, NO!
I HEARD ABOUT THE THEFT COIN-CIDENTALLY
I KEPT THE REAL THING IN A DIFFE-RENT PLACE SAFELY
THAT IMITATION LOOKSLIKE THE REAL THING BUT
Are you okay?
AAAAAH!
AND I SAW THE GIRL WHO WAS RUNNING AWAY WITH THE BROOCH AND I GOT IT BACK FROM HER...
THAT IS AN IMITATION.

WHEN A PERSON WHO IS KNOWLEDGED LIKE MAY SAW IT, SHE MUST HAVE RECOGNIZED IT FOR A FAKE...
SHE IS NOT THE CULPRIT...
He believed me...
EVEN IF SHE DIDN'T REALISE THAT IT WAS A IMITATION, IF SHE WANTED TO STEAL IT, SHE WOULD HAVE RAN AWAY A LONG TIME AGO
LIKE THE SERVANT THAT YOU BRIBED FROM DUKE'S HOUSE
Flinch
NO, BUT... YOU SAID IT WAS OKAY THEN...!
OF COURSE, I AM NOT SUSPICIOUS OF HER, I WOULDN'T WANT TO HEAR HER DEFEND HERSELF.
WELL, WE SHOULD TAKE OUR TIME TO TALK ABOUT THIS.
EXCUSE ME FOR TODAY.
I WILL GIVE YOU PUNISHMENT LATER.
Don't think lightly of the duke's financial power and political power
SHUDDER

Step Step Step
AH, LOOK, I CAN WALK BY MYSELF!
AND I AM SORRY I WAS A TROUBLE TO YOU AGAIN...
LOOK! I AM REALLY OKAY!
BUT IF YOU DON'T CHANGE YOUR CLOTHES QUICKLY, YOU ARE GOING TO CATCH A COLD...
...
Someone bring a towel quick
Kyaa
Put down
YOU SHOULD BE MORE QUIET.
YOUR BODY IS MORE IMPORTANT NOW.

YOU WERE TOO RECKLESS.
THE SURVIVING KEEPSAKE OF YOUR FATHER IS IMPORTANT, TOO
BUT YOU SHOULD THINK MORE ABOUT YOURSELF WHO IS ALIVE NOW

AH, YES, YES
YOU ARE REALLY CUTE
Wipe
Wipe
LOOK
LOOK
Sob
Drop
Drop
SORRY
I AM... SORRY
YOU DON'T HAVE TO APOLOGIZE.
IT IS MY RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT YOU.
This is like
in a dark and cold water
there is a light shining from above.

In my world

You appeared.

## Regarding plus and minus screws.

Minus screws were mostly used in mechanics and are still often used in western products today.

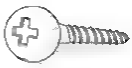
Minus screws have been in use since around the 15th century.

At that time, screws were still handmade.

As a matter of fact, based on history, minus screws have been in use way longer than plus screws.

The product is commonly referred to as the plus screw in Japan.

In 1935, an inventor named Phillip developed a product that was able to overcome the flaws of the minus screw.



The screw was named after the American who developed the product, Phillip-san.

On the other hand, minus screws were hard to use and can easily slip.

But there are also situations wherein plus screws are used today during repairs.
IN OTHER WORDS, ANTIQUES CREATED PRIOR TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF PLUS SCREWS
WOULD HAVE NOT USED PLUS SCREWS.

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